

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A monitor device for displaying output images of a plurality of computers, comprising:

a plurality of display data interfacing units for entering display data from individual computers;

a plurality of communication data interfacing units for carrying out inputting/outputting<sup>of</sup> communication data between ~~the~~ individual computers;

a superposed display unit for superposed displaying of two or more images represented by display data entered into two or more of said display data interfacing units; and

a display controller for altering the form of the superposed displaying on the basis of communication data for instructing alteration in said form of superposed displaying, entered into said communication data interfacing units.

2. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 1, having:

one or more input data interfacing units for entering input data from an input device; and

an input data repeater for supplying from one communication data interfacing unit to be dynamically selected out of said plurality of communication data interfacing units input data to be entered into a computer

<sup>which is supplied to</sup>  
~~having entered inputs into~~ said input data interfacing

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a unit(s) to <sup>a</sup>~~the~~ computer carrying out inputting/outputting from/to this communication data interfacing unit.

4. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 1, wherein:  
said display controller alters the display characteristics of the monitor device on the basis of communication data instructing the alteration of the display characteristics of the monitor device entered into said communication data interfacing unit.

5. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 3, wherein:  
said display controller alters the display characteristics of the monitor device on the basis of communication data instructing the alteration of the display characteristics of the monitor device entered into said communication data interfacing unit.

6. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 2, wherein:  
said display controller alters the display characteristics of the monitor device on the basis of communication data instructing the alteration of the display characteristics of the monitor device entered into said input data interfacing unit.

7. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 3, wherein:  
said display controller alters the display characteristics of the monitor device on the basis of communication data instructing the alteration of the

display characteristics of the monitor device entered into said input data interfacing unit.

8. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 1, having:

a a communication data repeater for supplying, from a second ~~said~~ communication data interfacing unit to a second computer, communication data, entered from a first computer carrying out inputting/outputting of communication data from/to first said communication data interfacing unit into first said communication data interfacing unit and destined for the second computer carrying out inputting/outputting of communication data from/to second said communication data interfacing unit.

9. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 3, having:

a a communication data repeater for supplying, from a second ~~said~~ communication data interfacing unit to a second computer, communication data, entered from a first computer carrying out inputting/outputting of communication data from/to first said communication data interfacing unit into first said communication data interfacing unit and destined for the second computer carrying out inputting/outputting of communication data from/to second said communication data interfacing unit.

10. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 4, having:

a a communication data repeater for supplying, from a second ~~said~~ communication data interfacing unit to a second

a computer<sup>1</sup> communication data, entered from a first computer carrying out inputting/outputting of communication data from/to first said communication data interfacing unit into first said communication data interfacing unit and destined for the second computer carrying out inputting/outputting of communication data from/to second said communication data interfacing unit.

11. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 1, having:  
an image data input interfacing unit for entering image data from a camera, wherein said superposed display unit performs superposed displaying of not only two or more images represented by display data entered into two or more of said display data interfacing <sup>units,</sup> ~~unit~~ but also images represented by image data entered into said image data input interfacing unit.

12. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 3, having:  
an image data input interfacing unit for entering image data from a camera, wherein said superposed display unit performs superposed displaying of not only two or more images represented by display data entered into two or more of said display data interfacing <sup>units,</sup> ~~unit~~ but also images represented by image data entered into said image data input interfacing unit.

13. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 4, having:

a an image data input interfacing unit for entering image data from a camera, wherein said superposed display unit performs superposed displaying not only of two or more images represented by display data entered into two or more of said display data interfacing <sup>units,</sup> ~~unit~~ but also images represented by image data entered into said image data input interfacing unit.

14. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 13, having:

a an image data repeater for supplying' from one communication data interfacing unit to be dynamically selected out of said plurality of communication data interfacing units' input data entered into said image data interfacing unit(s) to the computer carrying out inputting/outputting from/to this communication data interfacing unit.

15. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 14, wherein:

a said superposed display unit displays, as said superposed display, an image frame represented by display data entered into a second ~~said~~ display data interfacing unit in a window within an image frame represented by display data entered into a first ~~said~~ display data interfacing unit, and said display controller alters, as alteration of said form of superposed display, the position and size of the window in which to display an image frame represented

by display data entered into the second said display data interfacing unit.

16. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 1, wherein:  
said communication data interfacing unit performs  
outputting/inputting of communication data using a  
universal serial bus (USB).

17. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 2, wherein:  
said communication data interfacing unit performs  
outputting/inputting of communication data using a  
universal serial bus (USB).

18. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 3, wherein:  
said communication data interfacing unit performs  
outputting/inputting of communication data using a  
universal serial bus (USB).

19. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 4, wherein:  
said communication data interfacing unit performs  
outputting/inputting of communication data using a  
universal serial bus (USB).

20. A monitor device, as claimed in Claim 15, wherein:  
said communication data interfacing unit performs  
outputting/inputting of communication data using a  
universal serial bus (USB).